(a) the details of power projects received in the private sector in Karnataka during the last two years and the extent of power likely to be generated from these projects;

(b) the details of projects in the State actually cleared for commissioning;

(c) what is the status of availability of coal and fuel for running these projects;

(d) whether it is a fact that the fuel requirement for some private projects in the State has been rejected by the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas; if so, the remedial steps taken; and

(e) what is the total power requirement of the state and the share of power generated in private and public sectors, separately?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI): (a) to (c) The Ministry of Power, as on date, monitors only those private power projects which require the Techno-economic Clearnce (TEC) of Central Electricity Authority (CEA), i.e., Projects on the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)/Letter of Intent (LOI) route costing more than Rs. 100 crores and those on the competitive bidding route costing more than Rs. 1000 crores. The details of Private Sector projects in Karnataka for which complete Detailed Project report (DPRs) were received during the last two years viz., 1995-96 and 1996-97 in the CEA are as under:

Sl. No.	Name of the Project/Proponent	Installed Capacity (MW)
1.	Torangallu Thermal Power Project (M/s. Jindal Tractebel Power Co. Ltd.)	2 × 130
2.	Mangalore Thermal Power Project (M/s. Mangalore Power Co. Ltd.)	4 × 250

The above projects have coal linkage and have been accorded TEC by CEA.

(d) Allocation of liquid fuel for power projects of Karnataka is under examination.

(e) The Energy requirement in Karnataka during 1996-97 was 24940 MU. The energy generation during 1996-97 in the State of Karnataka was 12274 MU in the State Public Sector and 65 MU in the Private Sector.

Recruitment by the LPSC in Tamil Nadu

3621. SHRI N. THALAVAI SUNDARAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether recruitments in the Liquid Propulsion System Centre at Mahendragiri Centre were made through newspaper advertisements or through Employment Exchange; and

(b) the details of the procedure followed for the recruitments?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) and (b) Recruitment is made for certain posts based on the nominations obtained from the concerned employment exchanges. For other posts, vacancies are advertised in newspapers. Copies of the advertisements are also sent to the employment exchanges concerned.

Recruitment is made through well laid down procedures which vary from post to post based on functional needs. A written test and/or practical test and interview are the basis on which selection is made.